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A Daring Burglar With Clothing
Proof Against Leaden Balls.

TRINIDAD, Colo., Feb. 19.—Thomas Cook, a merchant in El Moro, was forced to open his safe by a masked man, who got the drop on him, but as the burglar was leaving the store Mr. Cook shot at him with a Winchester. The bullet struck the man's shoulder and he fell to the floor flattened out, showing that he had some sort of bullet-proof covering for the upper part of his body. He escaped, but got only a small sum of money.

LAKE IS SATISFIED.

The Convicted Murderer Does Not Want His Sentence Altered.

ALBION, N. Y., Feb. 19.—Wm. Lake, the convicted murderer of Emma Hunt, has been taken to Auburn. He said that much of the evidence sworn to on the trial was untrue, but he admitted that he killed the girl, and said he could give a reason for his act, but he had no excuse for whatever. During his statements Lake broke down and cried like a child.

Hughes and Kirby, Lake's attorneys, said that they had no objection to the effect of an appeal. "But," said Lake, "I don't want an appeal. I am satisfied with the sentence, and would not have it changed."

The officials of the jail were of the opinion that Lake would have gone alone to Auburn to have the sentence of death executed upon himself.

Carterville Visited by Crooks.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.
CARTERVILLE, Mo., Feb. 19.—Green Beasley's general merchandise store was robbed and a safe carried off last night. A trunk belonging to J. W. Bowers was stolen from his room at the Carterville Hotel. It contained clothing and silverware, a compass, a watch, a pistol, a son & Bourne and Kidder, Son, grocery men, were also robbed. A set of harness was stolen from J. W. Moss.

Raised a Bill.

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MILTON, Mo., Feb. 19.—A successful attempt at counterfeiting was committed near Green City, this County, yesterday, in which Frank Vaughn, the Collector of Penn Township, was duped. A sum of issue was paid him in a counterfeit bill of \$100 and it was made a ten. The counterfeited money was passed to Mr. Vaughn at a teller's bill of exchange, and he went to the Comstock Bank at Greene City to deposit last night, when the cashier noticed it.

Gresham Disappeared.

ATHENS, Ga., Feb. 19.—Willie Thomas Gresham of Oglethorpe, who went West seven years ago, a few weeks ago wrote to his wife, living in Atlanta, a letter on the Georgia railroad, that he was about to visit him. Wednesday night a stranger, a valise got off the train at New Station, and was seen to go to the hotel, which contained, among other things, a photograph of Gresham, who was found on Mr. F. C. Pugh's porch, but the man who is supposed to be him has not been seen since. It is feared he met with foul play.

Safe Blown Open.

STOCKPORT, Mo., via Philippi, Mo., Feb. 19.—A bank safe was blown open last night, the safe blown open and \$100 stolen. The Post-office was also broken into, but nothing is missing. There is only a faint clew as yet.

Crime News in Brief.

HELENA, Mont., Feb. 19.—Rancher August Renn shot and killed his wife and then himself in the cabin of his ranch in Custer County.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Feb. 19.—A. J. M. Baker, a North Birmingham distiller, received fatal wounds at the hands of negro assassins last night.

JOLIET, Ill., Feb. 19.—Mrs. Arthur Derming and her daughter left for Lockport, her home, charged with sending scandalous letters through the mails.

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GUTHRIE, Okla., Feb. 19.—Jesus Jackson, jailed here Saturday for forgery, after having been out of the penitentiary only two weeks, was freed Sunday in his case having been taken to prison for taking morphine.

NEVADA, Mo., Feb. 19.—Joseph Odell, formerly of this city, whose body was recently found in a vacant lot at Portland, Ore., with the throat cut, is thought to have been murdered. He left money.

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PUT IT ON ITS FEET.

PEORIA, Ill., Feb. 19.—Messrs. Hartshorne and Rice, New York members of the reorganization committee, which claims to represent \$30,000,000 of the \$35,000,000 stock of the Distillers and Cattle Feeders' Company, arrived in the city this morning and put up at the National Hotel. They and their object were followed by Peoria business men and expert accountants who are now examining the books of the C. C. F. and learning the actual financial condition of the company as far as it can be made out to have been represented.

Frank Schepers, who was summoned by his brother when the body was found, gave evidence to the jury to the test of the testimony of Bixby in one important particular.

He swore that he had found in the dirt near where the body lay a hell mark and then a mark of a lady's shoe. This was also the trace of a man's foot which directed to where the body lay. This evidence went to show that Miss Ging's body was pushed out of the buggy feet first instead of head first.

This would overthrow the theory that the fracture of the skull and the contusion were caused by the fall from the buggy and will help to impeach the evidence of Bixby.

George Grindall was an important witness for the defense. He was standing on First streets, at 7 o'clock or thereabouts on Dec. 3, the night of the murder. Grindall had an appointment with a woman, and was waiting for her when he was approached by a man who was pushing a woman, pointing to Attorney Sweetser. Grindall saw Miss Ging drive up. The man who was pushing her stopped and stepped with her and they drove away. This point is about a block from the West Hotel, whence Miss Ging started on her fatal walk. The defense has given a sketch of the man who had pushed her, and a sketch of the woman who was being pushed, but the experts say it is premature. The committee placed no credit on either of these, as they think it is more than probable that all the money needed will be forthcoming upon re-organization.

As far as the stockholders are concerned, the management would be insisted upon Mr. Rice replied that was something for the stockholders to determine.

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THE NOOSE FOR THEIR NECKS.

All Arrangements Completed for the Double Execution.

ONLY 100 TICKETS GIVEN OUT

Sheriff Troll Says the Hanging of Kaiser and Heimze Will Not Be a Public Show—The Death Watch.

Everything is in readiness for the execution of Jacob Heimze and Herman Kaiser, who are condemned to be hanged Thursday morning for the murder of Stockman Edwin Brown. The gallows have been repaired and the drop tested and found to work smoothly and almost noiselessly. Early Thursday morning the gallows rope, which has already been secured, will be suspended from the iron ring in the ceiling of the gallows canopy.

At 5 a. m. to-day the prisoners were removed from the cells they have occupied since their incarceration in jail to the condemned cell, No. 47, out of which their ill-fated predecessors walked to their ignominious doom, and at the same time they passed into the custody of the death watch, which is composed of sixteen deputies who are to stand by the side of the first two to be hanged. The gallows are to be suspended from 5 a. m. to noon, says Becker, Thompson, Wm. Troll and Jacob Troll. They were removed at noon by Deputies Robert Loeffelholz and John Schubert, who remain on duty until 6 p. m. The watchers from this until midnight will be Annon, Metzger, Hammond and Greuer, and from midnight until 6 a. m. Deputies Sturz, Bowcock, Brockel and Ruler. Each prisoner is guarded by two deputies and Sheriff Troll's order is to give the prisoners ample time to eat and drink, and to spare no expense. The watch beginning on Wednesday at 5 a. m., and which will continue until the execution is over, will be said to run to Friday.

Sheriff Troll has decided to make this execution a model of the kind in the way of decency and humanity. The condemned will be led under all circumstances to the gallows, their heads to the door, and the number of spectators permitted to exceed 150, and the greater number of these will have business at the scene of the condemned, who have gathered simultaneously, and it has been decided to send them into eternity as soon after 6 a. m. Thursday as possible.

STILL HAVE HOPE.

The prisoners were rather gloomy when transferred to the condemned cell but after the details on the death watch were explained to them, after the hope and consolation, they cheered up and appeared to lose sight of their impending doom. It is the opinion of the deputy sheriffs that both men will be hanged in the early morning through the last act with a manly fortitude. They seemed to be more disappointed because of the fact that they had been exonerated only yesterday in writing to the clemency, and their spirits having been built up on these hopes it is impossible for them to realize now that they have lost all hope. Kaiser spends a great deal of time in preparing himself for the grave, and seems to be most anxious to fit his fate to his unfortunate companion. Hagerety wants to speak with the other prisoners, who claimed relationship to Swin, and Judge Hagerety wants to be satisfied that the Indians claimants are what they claim before letting them have the custody of the old man.

AFTER FIFTY YEARS. John Swin, "the Miser," is United With His Family.

Special to The Post-Dispatch.

WARREN, Ind., Feb. 11.—There is a strange romance connected with the life of aged John Swin, whose children are now trying to have the courts award these possession of him.

Swin was born in Randolph County, N. G. C., Feb. 21, 1797. At the age of 19 he was married to Elizabeth Swin, who was born July 10, 1798, being nearly two years his senior. This couple lived happily together for more than a quarter of a century, and were the parents of nine children—Mahala, Robert, Charity, Simeon, Sarah E., Nancy, Zebediah, Benjamin, and George. One of the three oldest were married when he left home.

The most of Swin's married life was spent in Indiana in Stokes County, N. G. where he held the office of Justice of the peace, and officiated at the marriage of his children. Because of his mysterious disappearance is partially due to being entangled by debts, mostly for security, and being pushed and unable to meet the demands of creditors. In his work as Square he often engaged in hauling goods for merchants from Fayetteville to the Lake coast towns in North Carolina. One day in 1840 he left his family good-by very affectionately and started, as they supposed, on one of his usual trips, and never returned.

He was missing for five years, returning on making money and returning to pay off all the claims against him. But the longer he stayed away the harder it was to return, so he took a job in the leather trade in New York City. It appears, went from North Carolina to Ohio, where he acquired considerable property. Seven years after, he came good-by again, returning to North Carolina, but could find no trace of his people.

About one year after Mr. Swin left his family wife and all the rest of his household, his eldest daughter packed up their effects and moved in wagon to Indiana.

The descendants, now probably number fifty or sixty grandchildren, great grandchildren and great, great grandchildren.

Mrs. Swin died in Warren Sept. 14, 1874.

In 1886 his daughter, Mrs. Nancy Ricketts, received a letter from him, in which he called her daughter and asked for her photograph, which she sent. She heard nothing more from him, and the old man had given up hope of ever seeing him again.

Three years ago last month the Probate Court of Columbus, O., appointed John J. Chester to the city guardianship of the old man, who had become feeble in mind and body, and placed him in charge of parties who have since provided for his wants. The old man became anxious to see his children before he died, and about the 1st of last month he learned the address of his son, John, in New York, and wrote to him, asking the address of his sons. His son, Robert, was taken to him and recognized by the old man.

The strictest censorship is exercised over the press. Color is used sparingly, while an announcement of a death or marriage, the stranding of a ship, can leave the city for abroad without the signature of S. J. Perez, the public censor. No one is allowed to publish here or elsewhere anything but what is well justified, as the voice is 27 to 27, giving them but eight majority.

THE CABINET IN COUNCIL.

Premier Rosebery's Urgent Summons to the Ministry.

MAJORITY REDUCED TO EIGHT

Dissolution Believed to Be Imminent Conference With the Queen.

LONDON, Feb. 19.—There is much gossip in political circles to-day owing to the fact that Lord Rosebery, the Prime Minister, upon his arrival at the official residence in Downing street this forenoon, hastily summoned a meeting of the Cabinet. The measures taken to summon the Ministers were rather extraordinary. Messengers were despatched in cable to the offices or residences of the different Ministers and all came to the meeting, which lasted only half an hour. The condition of the party, as shown by the recent narrow majority, and the fact that Lord Rosebery has a long connection with Buckingham Palace yesterday afternoon with the Queen, soon after her arrival from the Isle of Wight, were great considerations in the minds of the Liberals to-day, all striving to increase rumors that a dissolution of Parliament is imminent. For several days past, voting, which was being taken in the House of Commons on Sir Wm. Harcourt's motion to close the debate on the address in reply to the Queen's speech, had been suspended, and the members of the opposition that it would be found that the Government was defeated when the vote was announced. The weather was cold and wet, with bright sun shining.

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THE MAN WHO PLANNED IT.

J. Pierpont Morgan Now the Governor's Financial Sponsor—A Gold
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Special to The Post-Dispatch.

NEW YORK, Feb. 19.—There is one man, and only one, in the world who can give from start to date the story of the pending United States loan. He is a financier of the first water. He lives well and looks it. He is a churchman high up in the management of the princely Trinity property. He is a director in many banks and other fiduciary institutions. He is the son of an old-time banker, and has the presence of a great name. He keeps his own counsel, and a claim is loquacious compared with him. He is a man who likes to talk. He touches only big things, and when he takes his hands off a property it will always be found that millions in personal gain are sticking to his fingers.

He is held up by a good portion of the financial world as representing the very acme of corporate greed and extortion, but by all the financial world he is feared for his unscrupulous methods and relentless methods of making scores. That man is J. Pierpont Morgan.

Daily he sits in his office facing the Stock Exchange, and the Government was turning and twisting in their endeavors to keep gold coin in that leaky old sieve known as the net reserve fund; he sat and waited.

He had a second loan made, and all its noise and took little or no interest in it. In the second loan he came more prominently to the front, but so shaped things that but little of the apparent loss went to him.

J. Pierpont Morgan looked ahead. He saw another deal and started his far-reaching machinery of his office. His face glowed like fire, and then he knew the chance of a life time which was fading away. He wished secrecy and was in a position to command it. Why should he not? He was seen as the chief of the United States Presidency, a man who had fattened on fees paid by his checks. As a banker with the many and varied interests he had, he could not afford to talk, and he had it next door in the Mills Building, and on the door appeared the name of Grover Cleveland. Then the name was transferred to the door post of the house. How he law business was attended to by Francis Lynde Stetson, a sharp and clever young practitioner, who for eight years this very month has been the active law adviser of the great house of J. Pierpont Morgan, who is the head.

Grover Cleveland went into that law firm, he became quickly a member of the firm. When the Administration and the syndicate drew around the Government table in Washington to consider the contract, he showed them with the contract he had himself drawn, but signed by himself, a son. It was quite like one of the old time conferences between counsel and client in the upper room of the Mills Building, and the parties Cleveland and Morgan both away in the contract, drawn probably on his own vacated desk in New York, and surely there were no hard words for his old time employer, the banker of international re-

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"PUT-UP OR SHUT UP."

The tax-payer out of whose pocket the exorbitant sum of \$100,000,000 for the new tract was to come was not present, and now his only part in the interesting drama is to "put up or shut up" in the rough and ready language of the day.

There is an expensively organized law bureau at Washington, and it has an expert committee, it is held, in the person of Atty.-Gen. Olney, by whom it is common drawing such an unique bit of legal documentation as this loop-hold contract; it was better for the Administration and the syndicate to do the bidding and this was the Genesis of the bond agreement of Feb. 8. Why that nation on Jan. 29 for a rescinding of the same and the bond? It was plain that the only explanation made on behalf of J. Pierpont Morgan in his leading part in passing the resolution was that the Bankers guffawed when they heard this explanation. "As well," they said, "might a fisherman have a right to his boat if his apartment sign it was for the purpose of checking conflagration."

Yet these same bankers knowing the methods of Mr. Morgan in the London cables of the same day and in the growing political financial gossip from Washington an experienced observer would have known that it was plain that Mr. Morgan was engineering one of his characteristic deals and a week later came to the outlines of the plan. Then followed the secret inquiry and the formal inquiry the formal contract was made.

Every step only added to the damning record, and now, the sub rosa understanding which is generally believed to be between Mr. Morgan and Mr. Cleveland could be made public the surprise of the posted ones of the world, and the contract would be with astonishment.

Day after day brings to light new bearings of this astounding financial freak on the part of the two men, and every village and city having bonds to sell for local improvement or for the funding of old debts will have to face the same commercial difficulties as buyer or the professional promoter who acts as wholesaler in these deals. "What does down town" says the slogan. Who can imagine it can float a 3 per cent bond when the United States grabs at a 3% per cent, and, for thirty years, and in gold, too?"

Then comes the secret seeking investment that a town of good credit has only to insist upon proper rates to get them, and the City Bond-Cards-Cards group of bond houses have made it harder for every village finance company in the country. It would not be surprising to find that some of the smaller towns in the clay, grandson of Henry Clay, and late editor of "Youth's Companion" of Boston. Mrs. Crosby is dead, but she leaves four children, and the wife of one of the sons, Mrs. Clara, granddaughter of Kentucky's first Governor. After the death of Mrs. Crosby, who was very wealthy, she married Benjamin F. Sherrill, a lawyer of Lexington. By this second marriage she had two daughters, Marian, who married Commodore Crosby, United States Navy, now stationed at Washington, D. C., and Mrs. Lillian, who died in 1886.

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AMUSEMENTS TO-NIGHT.

OLYMPIC—The Lilliputians.
GRAND OPERA HOUSE—Miss Olga Nethersole.
HAVLINS—"A Railroad Ticket."
HAGAN—Murphy and Canfield.
STANDARD—Irvine Bros.

HOPKINS'—Continuous Show.

MATINEES TO-MORROW.

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FAMILY BETWEEN METALS.

In his Senate speech defending the Treasury policy Senator Gray declared that it was necessary to accept the hard bargain driven by the bankers because gold had to be obtained "to maintain the parity and exchangeability of the two metals."

It was such language as this that was described by Byron in "Manfred" as "the veriest words that ever fooled the ear from out the schoolman's jargon." The Treasury policy of this Administration has not been to "maintain the parity of the two metals," but to appreciate gold and depreciate silver.

The law gives the Secretary of the Treasury the option to pay any claim against the Treasury in "coin"—either gold or silver. Instead of exercising this right he has surrendered it in every instance to the person making the demand.

There is a precisely similar law in France. The Bank of France, as the fiscal agent of the Government, has the option to pay in coin of either metal. This is the way it exercises this option:

If a draft for 100,000 francs is presented to the bank, it offers its notes. If these are refused it offers 50,000 francs in gold and 50,000 francs in silver. If the holder of the draft demands the whole amount in gold he is told he can have it at such a fractional advance upon its face value as effectively prevents speculative "raids" on the Bank's reserve.

This is the way "parity between the metals" is preserved in France. As a result the French use silver in their currency to a much greater extent than any other people in Europe and its equality with gold is not even questioned.

TOO MUCH PATERNALISM.

The Republicans of the House are doing as much as possible to make the Republicans seem something to the people of Missouri.

They have done their part to protect the morals of young men and boys from the pernicious effect of open-air exercise in the base ball field on Sunday. They have taken steps to shut up the theaters on Sunday, and have tried to regulate the size of the hat which the Missouri woman shall wear to the theater. They have given their approval to a law to shield the lungs, brains and olfactory nerves of the public from the pestiferous cigarette. They propose to stand between the "Innards" of the people and the green watermelon by prohibiting the sale of the latter and creating a water-melon inspector. They show their solicitude for the welfare of the dead as well as the living by proposing to create a Board of Embalming.

This is an excellent start, but having done so much, the Republican majority of the House should not stop until it has provided for the complete regulation and inspection of personal conduct. It should formulate a code of living for the people. It should determine by law which foot shall first break out of bed in the morning and whether the husband or the wife shall build the fire. The question of what the trousers and of the size of

be saved from the vicious effect of red neckties by an inspector. There should be inspectors of footwear and of bills of fare.

Imperial Missouri will not rep the full benefit of Republican paternalism until everything under the sun and in the State has been regulated according to the consciences and tastes of the bosses of the G. O. P.

On Oct. 23, 1894, the Republic printed the details of the carriers' lists of the Globe-Democrat and Republic as taken from their books. The figures then were:

Globe-Democrat 15,494

Republic 13,245

Total 31,739

The Post-Dispatch has a larger carrier circulation in St. Louis than the Republic and the Globe-Democrat combined and double that of either.

THE RAILROAD POOLING BILL.

The railroad pooling bill which passed the House in December and is now before the Senate is a cold-blooded proposal to hand over the industries of the country, especially agriculture and the \$40,000,000 railway capitalized at \$11,000,000,000. All that is to stand between the "combine" and the people is the "opinion" of the Interstate Railroad Commission.

The railroad companies plead necessity. They maintain that, owing to the hard times and the wide-spread depression, they have not been able to keep up expenses and pay a fair interest on the investment. Higher rates are, they claim, absolutely necessary if they are to get out of the quicksand of bankruptcy and re-establish themselves on a solvent foundation.

It is a specious plea. It is a fact that many if not most "railroads do not pay" on their stock. Some have for a long time been non-dividend paying properties—others maintain themselves with difficulty, while still others have gone into receivers' hands preparatory to a "re-organization" as it is euphemistically called. On the face of the facts railroad men are the most unfortunate individuals in the world, and one cannot help wondering why anybody ever invests in their securities.

But how much bottom is there to this plausible plaint? The capitalization of the railroads of the United States is about \$11,000,000,000. Fully one-third of this is "water" not representing actual investment. Its creation was by the flat of the financiers, who know too well how to double five and make fifteen. It is a predatory claim which unhappily is supported by vicious legislation. Every dollar of interest paid upon it is so much subtracted from the industry of the country without an equivalent. And it is to make this flat capital "pay" that wages are reduced, men discharged, the efficiency of the service impaired, and rates maintained at a level only just below the point of prohibition.

Can we afford to sustain this policy by abolishing the last vestige of competition? Shall the people of the United States deliberately place themselves under a despotism, indulging the pleasing hope that the despot will be benevolent? In the light of bitter experience it ought not to be difficult to answer these questions.

A WORTHY CAUSE.

President Bannerman has issued a stirring appeal to the people of Missouri in behalf of the Confederate Home at Higginson. He recites the facts that the Home cost \$67,000, that it is free from debt, that \$12,000 are annually required for its support, and that since the proposition was defeated to turn the institution over to the State its friends and supporters must show their faith by their generosity.

There is no more deserving charity in Missouri than the Confederate Home. It has already saved many an old soldier and his family from pinching poverty and the poor-house. It has come between distress and those who fought gallantly for the Southern cause, and has preserved to the brave ex-Confederate not only his comfort but his self-respect.

President Bannerman reports that at the last general collection the County Clerks raised \$15,000, and they are now requested to assist in circulating the subscription papers in every school district at the April election.

Meanwhile those who have anything to give and the disposition to give something—no matter how small—should forward their contributions at once to Mr. Bannerman. They give most who give quickly.

that Mr. Gilley owed his appointment to Mr. Cleveland's hatred, because there seems to be no other reason for it.

The banquette which St. Louis receives for the rich franchises granted street railways illustrates the folly and corruption which have enabled individuals and corporations to filch millions from the people. Wealth capitalized at \$40,000,000, the greater part of which is franchise value, has been obtained for a few thousand dollars. The facts emphasize the need of franchise taxation and of laws which will enable the people of the city to reclaim the loot obtained through their heedless or corrupt representatives.

The "Letters From the People" column of the Post-Dispatch is an always open forum for the brief discussion of all matters of interest to the public. No question is too great or too trivial to be treated in this department, although the letters should be as short as possible—the shorter the more certainty of publication. There is no better way of getting rid of wrongs and abuses and of securing needed improvements than by public agitation, and this way is open to all citizens through the Post-Dispatch.

In ordering the street car fender bill to engrossment in the lower house of the State Legislature shows that it appreciates the force of the public sentiment on this question which the Post-Dispatch has aroused by its exposure of the dangers of the streets and the indifference of street car corporations to public safety. This State law would be an excellent supplement to a local law and would define one patent form of negligence for the information of judges and juries.

The indignation at the acquittal of Phelan, charged with fraudulent voting, will be intensified by a knowledge of the facts of the trial. Though ten ballots were taken, and eleven men stood for conviction on every ballot, the result was the discharge of the jury, a single juror holding out obstinately and nullifying the whole proceedings. This case emphasizes the opportunities existing in the administration of criminal law for failure of justice.

Senator Gray rebuked his fellow Senators for leaving the President to fight the battle for the public credit alone, and they deserved it, for it must be confessed that Mr. Cleveland did not show very high qualities as a fighter in the face of the gold ring which was making a bare raid.

There is no occasion for alarm about a small-pox epidemic, but the health authorities cannot be too energetic and careful in guarding against the pest which Chicago has sent us by way of the winter race tracks. The beginning of it must be vigorously stamped out.

The gold bonds have left the President with only three friends in the Senate if we leave out Senator Hill. Even with Hill's assistance, Palmer, Vilas and Gray will scarcely be able to popularize this foreign loan.

Republican financing has naturally led up to the recent extraordinary bargain in gold bonds. Legislation in the interest of bondholders has always been the party's policy.

Mr. Belmont may have been generous with his money in Senator Hill's campaign for Governor, but the profit on the gold bonds is also a generous outlay.

The hard winter makes the expenditure of the Post-Dispatch Lake Fund on the Carondelet Park lake most opportune for unfortunate workingmen.

The missionary oligarchy of Hawaii seems to be teaching the natives some fine de siecle methods of torture.

The essential condition to the enforcement of election and all other laws is the reform of the Criminal Court.

It is hardly proper to speak of the sale of bonds; it was a "sell."

A Strong Combination.

From the Quincy (Ill.) Herald.

Col. C. H. Jones, formerly editor of the St. Louis Republic and later editor of the New York World, has purchased Joseph Pulitzer's interest in the St. Louis Post-Dispatch and returned to the scene of his former labors as editor and manager of that paper. Mr. Jones will improve the paper, already at a high standard, for he has the faculty of improving things.

The "New Woman."

From the Chicago Journal.

She does not "languish in her bower,"

"Or squander all the golden day"

"Upon a woman sprawls."

Nor she quite comes to wait

Behind her "rose-wreathed lattice-pane, Until beside her father's gate."

The gallant Prince draws rein."

The brave "New Woman" scours to sign And comes it such a grievous thing"

"That wears on year by year in hurry."

And no gay sutor brings:

In labor's ranks she takes her place,

With skillful hand and cultured mind;

Not to be found in the race,

But never far behind.

It is not less lightly fall her feet

Because they tread the busy ways;

She is not whie fair and sweet

Than maid of odious days,

Who, gowned in saffron or brocade,

Lies in the bower in the sun,

But dwelt like violets in the shade,

With shy, half-opened eyes.

Of life she takes a clearer view,

And through the press serenely moves,

Unfettered, free; with judgment true,

She reasons, and she understands;

And sometimes 'tis her joy and crown

To lift with strong yet tender hands.

The burdens men lay.

E. MATHESON.

MEN OF MARK.

Among the books prohibited in Russia is Bryce's "American Commonwealth."

Sir Joseph Barnby was at the age of 12, competent to play the organ at public services.

Mr. Ivan Carilli, who has come to the front very rapidly of late, became a musical director at the age of 15.

Mr. W. D. Howells has written a novelistic sketch to which he has given the suggestive title of "A Circle in the Water."

Mr. Le Gallienne calls the critics who don't approve of his productions "The literary homicides, whose howls of torment will be the only clarions of their fame."

Poulney Bigelow is one of the few Americans who have the honor of intimate friendship with the Emperor of Germany.

I am nothing and nobody, I am simply the pen and mouthpiece of my imperial master." Thus was the late M. de Giers wont to describe himself.

Joseph Treti, the railroad magnate of Vienna, who died the other day, left a million dollars to a society of that city to be used in prosecuting astronomical observations.

Gilbert Parker, the Canadian writer, is engaged to marry an American girl, the daughter of a New York merchant, the late Mr. Vantine, the importer of East Indian wares.

Mr. Charles Wyndham, in the course of a recent interview, said he imbited a love for the stage before he knew the value of words, and he used to revel in acting to himself before a looking-glass.

Mr. George I. Barnett is the oldest St. Louis architect. He was born in Nottingham, March 20, 1818. In 1830 he came to America and after a short time to St. Louis, where his first work was to perspective view of the present courthouse. He was employed on the job in the early days and was discharged for pernicious political activity, voting for Fremont. He still remembers James K. Polk. He has been a Democrat but a pretty independent voter ever since.

Miss Nethersole Scores a Success in the French Play.

The Queen, since the day of her coronation, has seen every throne in the world vacated at least once.

Queen Victoria's will is engrossed on velum, quarto size, and is bound as a volume, and secured by a private lock.

Mrs. Castle, who made strenuous and successful efforts to be admitted Justice of the Peace in Webster, Io., has thrown up her job.

Mme. L

EMPLOYMENT GROUPING.

SITUATIONS WANTED—MALES.

Three lines (20 words), 5 cents; each additional line, 5 cents. 5 cents per line each insertion.

BAKER—Wants situation as 2d or 3d hand. Add. dress 1424 N. 10th st.; near.

BARTENDER—Situation wanted by Experienced bartender. No place, sober and industrious. Add. M. 318; this office.

BOY—Situation by bright boy of 17 as officer to do collecting; well acquainted with city. Add. E. 237; this office.

BARTENDER—Situation wanted by experienced bartender, young married man; speaks German. Add. R. 322; this office.

COACHMAN—Wanted situation as coachman; city residence preferred. Add. 1006 Pine st.

COACHMAN—Wanted, place as coachman in private family; good city refs. Add. M. 324; this office.

DRUG CLERK—Wanted, position by junior, 2 years' experience. German and English best references; salary \$120. Add. 1006 Pine st.

ENGINEER—Wanted in engineering; permanent years; good city; no house; good city references. Add. C. 327; this office.

FRESCO PAINTER—Practical and theoretical also some house painted; wants work. Address R. 320; this office. Good references; can refer to last place where I was employed. Add. M. 327; this office.

GROCERY CLERK—Wants situation as clerk; 3 years' experience; good refs. Add. A. 327; this office.

MEDICAL—A physician with 8 years' experience wants to take charge of a doctor's office; wants to live in St. Louis. Add. O. 327; this office.

PAINTER—Advertising, sign and pictorial painter who will work cheap and quick. Address first-class place of travel and permanent. Address W. 325; this office.

TRAVELING MAN—Wanted, traveling position; low salary; wants company with good pay; draper or stationery business preferred; experienced; best of reference. F. M. Carter, Piggett, Ark.

YOUNG MAN—Situation by young man to take care of horses; wants to learn the business. English and German; best of reference. G. 327; this office.

HELP WANTED—FEMALE.

5 cents per line each insertion.

COOK—Wanted—First-class, who can assist with housework and bring refs. 6337 Morgan st.

COOK—Competent girl to cook; some housework; German preferred. 412 West Pine.

COOK—Must be neat and reliable; twenty years' experience. St. Louis. Address Mrs. A. W. Morris.

COOK—Wanted—Competent girl for small family; must be good cook. 1804 Albert st., 1 block east of King's Highway, between Fahey and Easton.

DRIVER—To do restaurant work. 911 N. Chestnut st.

DRIVER—Wanted to new straw hats. St. Louis Straw Works, 6th and Franklin av.

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CITY NEWS.

Private matters skilfully treated and medicines furnished. Dr. Dinsenber, 34 Pine.

Dr. E. C. Chase,
Sixth and Locust. Set of teeth, \$1.

ACADEMY OF SCIENCE.

Two Interesting Papers Read and New Members Elected.

Dr. Edward C. Runge read a paper before the Academy of Science at 100 Lucas place Monday night, entitled "The Birth and Growth of Scientific Medicine, with Special Reference to Our Present Notions on Immunity from Disease." Although the subject was one of the most interesting known, it was not the result of comparatively recent research. Prof. Angelo Helpman, by invitation, delivered an address on "The Glaciers of Greenland and the North." He compared the glaciers of Greenland with those of the Alps. Messrs. Henry C. Scott, H. H. Davis, F. D. Simmons and Paul Wittenberg were elected to membership in the academy.

WORK-HOUSE REFORMS.

Some Changes Recommended by the Board of Charity Commissioners.

An investigation of the Work-house was made by the Board of Charity Commissioners Monday afternoon and everything was not found to be as it should. One thing in particular was that Assistant Superintendent Galen often whipped unruly prisoners, and the law only allows a punishment of solitary confinement and a diet of bread and water for such offenders.

The board recommends the following changes: A matron for the female prisoners; the employment of a good cook; a regular and careful inspection by the Work-house physician.

St. Louis, Mo., Feb. 18th, 1885.

THE MERCHANTS' LIFE ASSOCIATION
OF THE UNITED STATES,
UNION TRUST BUILDING,
CITY.

Dear Sirs:—I hereby acknowledge receipt of your check for \$5,370.76 for the amount of your policy with interest in full on the life of my husband, the late A. K. Florida. I take pleasure in saying in this connection that I appreciate the difficulties you have had in this case on account of the injunction suits filed against you by my husband's creditors, which have prevented your paying this policy sooner, and I am glad to bear testimony to the fact that you have always been ready and willing to pay this loss from the time that proper proof was made, and that the delay is in no way chargeable to your association.

NANCY L. FLORIDA.

Fought in a Saloon.
John Conway, recently from Chicago, got into a fight with an unknown man in Hugo Zeller's saloon, 72 North Sixth street, at 3 a. m., and was ejected. During the difficulty a large pane of glass was broken, and all on the part of Conway's antagonists, to shove him through it. Conway was arrested.

COLLECTOR'S OFFICE,
St. Louis, February 16, 1885.

Real Estate Agents
Who have not yet paid their license are hereby requested to do so immediately, otherwise they will be compelled to proceed against them in court.

HENRY ZIEGENHEIN,
Collector.

Merchants' Life Association Settles.
Injunction proceedings restraining the Merchants' Life Association of this city, from paying \$5,000 insurance on the life of A. K. Florida, having come to an end, the company has paid him the sum of \$5,370.76, the full amount of the policy with interest. The officers say they have never received any just claim but by this litigation, and were compelled to make payment, but that they hastened to make settlement as soon as they safely could.

Late Train Quincy and Burlington.
The Burlington now runs a late train to Hannibal, Quincy, Keokuk, Fort Madison and Burlington, leaving at 2:30 a. m. daily. Sleeping car and coach ready in Union Station at 9:30 p. m. For further information call at city office, 215 North Broadway.

Prof. Ives' Art Lecture.

Prof. Halsey C. Ives delivered a lecture Monday night at the St. Louis Museum of Fine Arts on "Tendencies in Art, or the Two Salons of the Century."

The lecture dwelt at length on the mission of art which he defined as having a two-fold purpose. First, to beautify the world; second, to encourage the beautiful in our hearts. Discover beauty in all around us and to make the world and our lives better and broader.

The Bottom of the Sea.

Yields no pearl that can exceed in beauty teeth whitened and cleansed with that incomparable dentifrice, the fragrant SOZODONT. Nor is coral rosier than the gums in which such teeth are set. So say the ladies, who are the best judges in such matters.

Charges Her With Perjury.

Mrs. Mary E. Bonney, formerly Mrs. Mary E. Pierce was arrested on charges of perjury. She is the woman who last summer caused the arrest of Attorney John T. Murphy of Troy, Mo., for the alleged theft of \$300. Mrs. Bonney is charged with having been charged with perjury in the case.

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To Hear Reports.

The Democratic City Central Committee will meet Wednesday night. It is understood that Urig's Cave will be selected for the convention. Reports will be heard from the commissioners on the registration in the several wards.

Sixteenth Ward Democrats.

A meeting of the Democrats of the Sixteenth Ward was held this evening at Teutonic Hall. Twenty-second and Montgomery streets for the purpose of selecting delegation to represent the ward at the State Convention. The meeting was called by Central Committeeman John P. Kelleher.

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RACE TRACK
IS SHUT DOWN.

Madison Races Declared Off for an Indefinite Time.

SMALL-POX WAS THE CAUSE.

It Is Possible That the Sport May Be Resumed Next Saturday, But Not Certain—Sporting Notes.

The Madison race track is closed and the managers have decided not to re-open its gates until the Illinois State Board of Health has thoroughly inspected the place and given it a clean bill of health. Thomas McFee, Mayor of Venice and representative in the Legislature from that district, arranged the trial of Dr. Scott, president of the State Board of Health, had authorized him to wire them that they could open the track again when he gave the word, but there was small-pox at the track. Although positive that there is no small-pox at the track the managers thought it best to remain until a thorough inspection, under the auspices of the State Health Officers left no doubt as to the fact. Most physicians in the city and the State Department physicians, who are vaccinating free of charge. The other 2,000 points were distributed among physicians in less busy places, and the demand was so great that there was an additional 500 points telegraphed. An additional 500 points were added to the city vaccination corps than were originally planned.

The demand for vaccine virus is something unprecedented. Twenty-five hundred points were received at 9 o'clock. Of these, 200 were sent to the State Board of Health, and the remainder to the physicians in the city. The sport spent Monday in the local bars, and the police were called to restrain the regulars who noticed in the Sixth street room, when it was raided by the police. The Madison managers seem to think they have a right to commence racing again by Saturday.

YESTERDAY'S SESSION.

Yesterday the representatives of Chas. H. Luskone, Chairman of Transportation; Albert Mott and Chairman of Racing Board; George C. Williams, vice-president; C. O. Williamson of Maryland; A. Perkins of Massachusetts; and A. C. Morrison of Wisconsin; treasurer; J. F. Adams of Massachusetts; T. A. Van Nort of Pennsylvania; and Geo. E. Parker of Pennsylvania.

Another was chosen as the place for the next national race meet. The amendment abolishing the restriction of members to whites was withdrawn. Raymond's amendment placing all men connected with the cycle track in class B was laid on the table.

Yesterday's Winners.

At San Francisco, Norblin, Dick, Bell, Motor, Clark, Wm. Holt, Dick, Bell, Kingbird, Thackeray, Mickey, B. Pickaway, King Bird, Watch Charm, At New Orleans—Red Vell Uncle Law, Dave Fulmer, Elberon, Churchill Clark.

OFF FOR GEORGIA.

New York Base Ball Club Will Sail for the South.

NEW YORK, Feb. 19.—Manager Davis, with the members of the New York Base ball team, will sail on the steamer Tallahassee for Savannah, Ga., Tuesday next.

The team will be engaged in three, after which a trip will be made to the winter exhibition games on the way being played.

Rusie is still holding out for a raise in salary, and it is said that Fuller and Wilson are dissatisfied with the terms offered.

DUMAS SCHOOL CLOSED.

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Owing to the number of cases being sent to quarantine, another small-pox ambulance has been put in service, making the total number five.

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REV. W. H. AYRES.

Dropped From the Presbytery Because He Has Turned Episcopalian.

Rev. W. H. Ayres, who can be found, according to directions given by her husband, William C. Ayres, at 1001 Morgan street, the alleged facts that she accused him of stealing his hat.

Mr. Ayres, a colored man, 1001 Morgan street, and his wife, Mrs. Ayres, of 1001 Morgan street, have been to the office of the Presbytery to complain that Rev. W. H. Ayres, who was not in, said, "Mr. Foster," that he was not allowed to remain in the Presbytery.

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CAMBRIDGE, MASS.—Feb. 19.—Nearly

500 men reported, in response to the

various calls for volunteers.

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